



Committee on Government Operations

Senate of the Associated Students of the University of Nevada 94th Session

Agenda for Tuesday, September 29th, 2026 at 6:15pm

Room 405 , 4rd Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union

Email Senator Horst at senatorzuniga@asun.unr.edu for more information

Zoom link: <https://unr.zoom.us/j/85414163918>

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. COMPLIANCE WITH NEVADA OPEN MEETING LAW

- a. Was the agenda posted three full working days by 9 am, not including the meeting date?
 - i. <https://nevadaasun.com/meetings/committee-on-government-operations-meeting-2/>
- b. Is the meeting taking place on the day of the week, month, day, year, at the time and location listed on the agenda?
- c. Is the Zoom link working and available to the public?

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

“We acknowledge that the University of Nevada, Reno is situated on the traditional homelands of the Numu (Northern Paiute), Wašiw (Washoe), Newe (Western Shoshone), Nuwu (Southern Paiute) peoples. These lands continue to be a gathering place for Indigenous Peoples and we recognize their deep connections to these places. We extend our appreciation for the opportunity to live and learn on their territory.”

4. ROLL CALL

The Secretary must list roll call.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT (INFORMATION ONLY)

Items heard under public comment may be for items either on or off the agenda. Action may not be taken on items raised under public comment. The Chair may elect to take public comment on actions on this agenda. The Chair may impose reasonable limits on the length of time members of the public may speak.

6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

There are no minutes to be approved at this time.

7. AUDIO OR MINUTES MISSING FOR PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF THIS BODY THAT DO NOT MEET 30 DAY POSTING OF NEVADA OPEN MEETING LAW (FOR POSSIBLE CORRECTIVE ACTION)

Minutes or audio files for previous meetings that are missing must be listed here with the date of each meeting.

8. REPORTS (INFORMATION ONLY)

Members of the committee may give a report to any work relation to the committee.

9. OLD BUSINESS (INFORMATION ONLY/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION/FOR POSSIBLE CORRECTIVE ACTION)

There is no old business to be discussed at this time.

10. NEW BUSINESS (INFORMATION ONLY/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

a. Review of legislation and memorandums

i. S. B. 94 A BILL TO FUND AND CLARIFY PROCEDURES FOR THE FALL 2026 “COFFEE WITH A COP” EVENT IN SUPPORT OF CAMPUS SAFETY AND UPDNC ENGAGEMENT

“This piece is to help fund the upcoming UPDNC Coffee With A Cop Event to promote Campus Safety and secure relations with our University Police Department. The bill also slightly modifies Senate Committee responsibilities and properly places responsibilities within the right roles of the Senate.”

ii. S.B. 94.19 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR ROUTINE OPERATIONAL & INSTITUTIONAL EXPENDITURES OF THE SENATE

“Amends the Statutes of the Associated Students to authorize expenditures for routine Senate operations and established ASUN ceremonial traditions without prior approval from the Committee on Budget and Finance.”

11. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

There are no items to be discussed at this time

12. PUBLIC COMMENT (INFORMATION ONLY)

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public comment on actions on this agenda. The Chair may impose reasonable limits on the length of time members of the public may speak.

13. ADJOURNMENT

NOTES: Agenda items may be considered out of order at the discretion of the Chair. The committee may combine two or more agenda items for consideration. The Committee may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion of an item at any time.

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

94th SESSION
2026-2027

S. B. 94 -
A BILL TO FUND AND CLARIFY PROCEDURES FOR THE
FALL 2026 “COFFEE WITH A COP” EVENT IN
SUPPORT OF CAMPUS SAFETY AND UPDNC
ENGAGEMENT

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

AUGUST 9TH, 2026

AUTHORED BY SENATOR SAPORITO

**A Bill to Fund and Clarify Procedures for the Fall 2026 “Coffee With A Cop”
Event in Support of Campus Safety and UPDNC Engagement**

Whereas, the individuals serving in the University Police Department – Northern Command (UPDNC) courageously put themselves in harm’s way daily to ensure the safety and well-being of all students, faculty, staff, and visitors at the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR), as well as at other Northern Nevada NSHE institutions, including Truckee Meadows Community College

(TMCC), Western Nevada College (WNC), Great Basin College (GBC), and the Desert Research Institute (DRI);

Whereas, the department offers vital services including campus escorts, event security, ride-along opportunities, victim advocacy, the SafePack App, women's self-defense classes, and student engagement tools such as PowerEngage;

Whereas, the department supports transparency and community trust by engaging students through public presentations, safety training sessions, and informal gatherings like "Coffee With A Cop," held across UNR, TMCC, and WNC campuses;

Whereas, UPDNC hosted 127 safety-related training sessions in 2024, including women's self-defense classes, monthly safety sessions at WNC, active assailant training, and community outreach programs like "Bigs with Badges" with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northern Nevada;

Whereas, UPDNC hosts one "Coffee With A Cop" event each semester;

Whereas, UPDNC plans to host "Coffee With A Cop" on **Thursday, October 8th**, from **9:00AM – 11:30AM** in front of the JCSU;

Whereas, the Senate passed S.B. 93 - A Bill to Establish an Annual Day of Recognition and Support for UPDNC and Promote Campus Safety Initiatives;

Whereas, the approval of S.B. 93 added a responsibility for the Committee on Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness to help assist & sponsor UPDNC's "Coffee With A Cop" event via the Rules of the Senate (see Addendum A);

Whereas, within the additional responsibilities for the Senate Committee, duties and responsibilities are written for the Speaker of the Senate, stating that "Along with helping UPDNC host & sponsor Coffee with Cops and designating the second Friday of October as 'A Day of Recognition for UPDNC,' the Speaker will also formally invite UPDNC to present

to the Senate each October. This annual presentation will strengthen cooperation between our two departments and promote transparency;”

Whereas, while these responsibilities assist promote building rapport between the Associated Students and UNR Facilities, they are incorrectly placed within the Committee’s responsibilities rather than the Speaker’s;

Whereas, moving this information to Rule XX Subsection A (see Addendum B) will offer more clearer communication on the current and evolving expectations for future Speakers of this Association;

Be it enacted by the Associated Students, that the changes listed in Addendums A & B are put in place effective-immediately within the 94th Session Rules of the Senate Document;

Be it further enacted by the Associated Students, that for Account PG01395, \$150.00 from the line item “Outreach” shall be transferred via an IPO request to the UPDNC for the Fall 2026 Coffee with A Cop event;

Be it further enacted by the Associated Students, that a copy of the resolution shall be sent to

- Speaker of the Senate and Chair of the Committee on Oversight, Jason Issa;
- Chair of the Committee on Budget and Finance, Henry Lawson;
- Chair of the Committee on Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness, Anna Barrus
- Associate Director of ASUN, Luis Aguilar Herrera;
- Assistant Director of Accounting Services, Wei Jiang;
- President of ASUN, Dillon Moss;
- Community Relations and Support Services Specialist, Madison Eifert;

[ADDENDUM A]

Rule X: STANDING COMMITTEE DUTIES

c) COMMITTEE ON SAFETY, SUSTAINABILITY, AND WELLNESS

The Committee on Safety, Sustainability and Wellness shall be responsible for policies concerning campus wide departments regarding student safety and wellness, including but not limited to: Facilities Services, University Housing, University Police, Student Health Services, Counseling Center, Campus Dining, Title IX Office Center for Civil Rights & Equal Access, The Student Wellness Advisory Group, the ASUN Director of Sustainability and the ASUN Director of Campus Wellness. The Committee shall develop relationships with mental and physical health-related student organizations. The Committee shall assist and consult the Director of Sustainability in the promotion of sustainable campus initiatives, the Sustainable Nevada Initiative Fund, and events such as Public Lands Day, Earth Day, and Arbor Day. Along with helping UPDNC host & sponsor Coffee with Cops and designating the second Friday of October as 'A Day of Recognition for UPDNC,' the Speaker will also formally invite UPDNC to present to the Senate each October. This annual presentation will strengthen cooperation between our two departments and promote transparency. The Committee shall be responsible for legislation and advocacy regarding sustainable practices on and off campus, any policy concerning student health and student safety on campus and in the community, as well as anything else that the Chair finds pertinent to the Committee. The Committee will also work with the Director of Campus Wellness to allot at least four days within the academic year for the promotion of health and wellness, and resources available to students.

[ADDENDUM B]

Rule XX: SENATE OFFICERS

a) THE SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

1. Preservation of Order

The Speaker shall preserve order and decorum and, in case of disturbance or disorderly conduct in the galleries or in the lobby, may cause the same to be cleared.

2. Signature of Documents

The Speaker shall sign all acts passed by the Senate and all writs, warrants, and subpoenas of, or issued by the order of, the Senate within five working days of its passing. A bill which has not been signed by the presiding officer of the Senate upon the sixth day after its passing shall be transmitted to the Office of the President for the receipt of executive confirmation into law as if it had been signed by the Speaker of the Senate

3. Questions of Order

The Speaker shall decide all questions of order, subject to appeal by a Senator. On such an appeal a Senator may not speak more than once without permission of the Senate.

4. Form of a Question

The Speaker shall rise to put a question but may state it sitting. The Speaker shall put a question in this form: „,Those in favor (of the question), say „Aye.“ ‘‘‘‘; and after the affirmative voice is expressed, „,Those opposed, say „No.“ ‘‘‘‘. After a vote by voice under this clause, the Speaker may use such voting procedures as may be invoked under Rule VIII.

5. Direction of Legislative Services

The Speaker of the Senate shall have general authority over the staff of the Senate. Within this regard the Speaker of the Senate shall hold all hiring and firing authority of Senate personnel, consisting of Committee Secretaries and the Legislative Clerk. With this regard the Speaker shall manage the day-to-day operations of the Senate of the Associated Students.

6. Facility Communication

The Speaker shall invite University Facilities and Departments to the Senate throughout the designated session. Consistent outreach with these facilities (included but not limited to the Student Health Center, University Police, E.L. Wiegand Fitness Center, and the Center for Civil Rights & Equal Access) will strengthen cooperation and communication between these departments while maintaining transparency for both the Senate and student body

Fall 2025 UPDNC Budget – Doughboys Donuts

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RENO, NV 89523

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<http://www.doughboysnv.com>

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[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

94th SESSION
2026-2027

S.B. 94.19 -
AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR ROUTINE
OPERATIONAL & INSTITUTIONAL
EXPENDITURES OF THE SENATE

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

JULY 15TH, 2026

SUBMITTED TO THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS BY SENATOR SAPORITO
AUTHORED BY SPEAKER ISSA

Whereas, the Senate of the Associated Students maintains Senate-controlled accounts to support the ordinary operations and institutional functions of the Legislative Branch; and

Whereas, the Senate has established a process requiring any Senator wishing to use funds from Senate-controlled accounts to draft a standard budget and submit the proposed budget to the Committee on Budget and Finance for consideration; and

Whereas, review by the Committee on Budget and Finance promotes transparency, accountability, and responsible stewardship in the expenditure of student funds; and

Whereas, the existing expenditure review process is appropriately designed to provide oversight of discretionary expenditures proposed by individual Senators; and

Whereas, the existing language broadly applies to any Senator wishing to use funds from Senate-controlled accounts, without distinction between discretionary expenditures proposed by a Senator and routine expenditures necessary to maintain the operations and institutional practices of the Senate; and

Whereas, office supplies and other ordinary administrative materials are necessary for the continued and efficient operation of the Legislative Branch; and

Whereas, requiring individual consideration by the Committee on Budget and Finance for each routine operational purchase may unnecessarily delay Senate operations and expend limited committee time on ordinary administrative matters; and

Whereas, the Senate and the Association maintain ceremonial traditions and institutional practices intended to recognize the service, accomplishments, and contributions of student leaders; and

Whereas, such traditions and practices may require the purchase, engraving, replacement, maintenance, or display of plaques, nameplates, awards, composites, and other commemorative materials; and

Whereas, expenditures necessary to continue a preexisting ceremonial tradition are institutional in nature and are distinguishable from discretionary expenditures proposed for the individual benefit or initiative of a Senator; and

Whereas, the current expenditure review process may require a Senator who is the recipient of customary institutional recognition to personally request, budget for, and seek committee approval for an expenditure associated with their own recognition; and

Whereas, requiring a Senator to personally request funds for recognition customarily afforded to similarly situated recipients may create an unnecessary appearance of self-interest despite the expenditure arising from a preexisting institutional practice; and

Whereas, this appearance is particularly unnecessary when the identity of the recipient does not determine whether the expenditure would otherwise occur; and

Whereas, the current expenditure review process was recently established and may not have contemplated the application of its requirements to routine operational expenditures or the continuation of preexisting ceremonial traditions; and

Whereas, narrowly exempting routine operational and established institutional expenditures from individualized committee preapproval will preserve meaningful fiscal oversight while allowing the Senate to efficiently conduct ordinary business and maintain its institutional traditions; now, therefore,

***THE STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA REPRESENTED IN THE
SENATE, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:***

Be it enacted, that the changes outlined in Addendum A are adopted into the Statutes of the Associated Students; and

Be it further enacted, that this bill be sent to the following individuals:

- Director, Center for Student Engagement, *Dion Webb-Figueroa*;
- Associate Director, Student Government, *Luís Aguilar-Herrera*;
- Associate Director, Business Operations, Center for Student Engagement,
Wei Jiang;
- President, Associated Students, *Dillon Moss*;
- Vice President, Associated Students, *Luke Calderon*;
- Speaker, 94th Senate, Associated Students, *Jason Issa*; and
- Chair, Committee on Budget & Finance, *Henry Lawson*

Addendum A

TITLE VI: TREASURY OF THE ASSOCIATION

CHAPTER 601: TREASURY OF THE ASSOCIATION

SECTION 06: SENATE ACCOUNTS

The Speaker of the Senate shall have signing authority over accounts under the control of the Senate. The Speaker may delegate signing authority to the chair of any committee under the jurisdiction of the Senate for the purpose of expending such funds as may be necessary for the conduct of committee business.

- a) Any senator wishing to use funds from **Senate-controlled accounts** **the Senate Outreach account** must draft a standard budget and submit the proposed budget to the Chair of the Committee on Budget and Finance.
- b) The Chair of the Committee on Budget and Finance shall place the budget on the agenda for consideration at the next available meeting of the committee
- c) Upon approval, the Senator requesting funds may submit their request to the Speaker or designee for final approval.
- d) The Committee on Budget and Finance shall adopt timely procedures to ensure review of expenditure requests so as not to unreasonably delay Senate operations. If the Committee on Budget and Finance is cancelled or otherwise unable to address a submitted budget request, the request shall be forwarded to the next Senate meeting for consideration.
- e) **Expenditures from Senate-controlled accounts other than the Senate Outreach account may be authorized by the Speaker without approval from the Committee on Budget and Finance when such expenditures are for the ordinary administration and operation of the Senate or the continuation of established ceremonial traditions.**
 - i) **For the purposes of this section, expenditures for the ordinary administration and operation of the Senate may include office supplies, name plates, printing materials, administrative materials, and other goods reasonably necessary for the conduct of Senate business.**
 - ii) **For the purposes of this section, an established ceremonial tradition means a recurring practice of the Senate or Association recognizing service, achievement, or institutional history, including plaques, awards, composites, nameplates, and similar commemorative materials.**